

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 555

By Southerland

A RESOLUTION to commend Patrick Davis, Jr., for exemplary service as a legislative intern.

WHEREAS, each legislative session, this body is pleased to recognize certain persons who have committed themselves, through their adroit service, to the betterment of the legislative process; and

WHEREAS, Patrick Davis, Jr., is one such individual, who has distinguished himself in his role as a legislative intern for Senator Steve Southerland; Mr. Davis's work has resulted in innumerable benefits for the legislators he assisted and the General Assembly as a whole; and

WHEREAS, a student at the University of Tennessee at Martin, where he is highly regarded by his peers, Patrick Davis has achieved academic success while majoring in criminal justice with a minor in political science and a concentration in law enforcement and participating in numerous extracurricular activities; and

WHEREAS, a member of the Phi Eta Sigma Honor Society and the Criminal Justice Honor Society, Mr. Davis has been named to the Chancellor's Honor Roll with High Honors for three semesters; he maintains a 3.89 grade point average and will graduate in May 2024; and

WHEREAS, his many accomplishments aside, Patrick Davis is most appreciative of the love and support of his parents, Patrick Davis, Sr., and Shannon Taylor-Davis, and his sibling, Imani Williams; and

WHEREAS, eager to familiarize himself with the characteristics and complexities of Tennessee State government and to further his studies, Mr. Davis brought his many abilities and singular expertise to Capitol Hill for the 2023 session of the One Hundred Thirteenth General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Davis is a noted leader among his fellow interns, having been elected to serve as Lieutenant Governor of the 2023 Intern Mock Session; and

WHEREAS, throughout the 2023 legislative session, Patrick Davis has excelled in his position, earning the trust and respect of Senator Southerland's office; he has demonstrated exceptional initiative, communication, and planning, surpassing all criteria that define a devoted and conscientious legislative intern; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Davis has performed his many duties with extraordinary insight and rare decorum; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend Patrick Davis, Jr., for outstanding service as a legislative intern for Senator Steve Southerland and extend to him our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.